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SOUTH DAKOTA HOG INVENTORY UP 3 PERCENT

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. March 30, 2017 – South Dakota inventory of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2017, was 1.45 million head, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. This was up 3 percent from March 1, 2016, but unchanged from December 1, 2016.

Breeding hog inventory, at 200,000 head, was up 5 percent from March 1, 2016, and up 5 percent from last quarter. **Market hog inventory**, at 1.25 million head, was up 2 percent from last year, but down 1 percent from last quarter.

The December 2016 – February 2017 South Dakota pig crop, at 1.15 million head, was up 12 percent from 2016. Sows farrowed during the period totaled 102,000 head, up 6 percent from last year. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high 11.30 for the December – February period, compared to 10.75 last year.

South Dakota hog producers intend to farrow 103,000 sows during the March – May 2017 quarter, up 10 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period a year ago. Intended farrowings for June – August 2017 quarter are 103,000 sows, up 6 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period the previous year.

Access the National publication for this release at:
<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/HogsPigs//2010s/2017/HogsPigs-03-30-2017.pdf>

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